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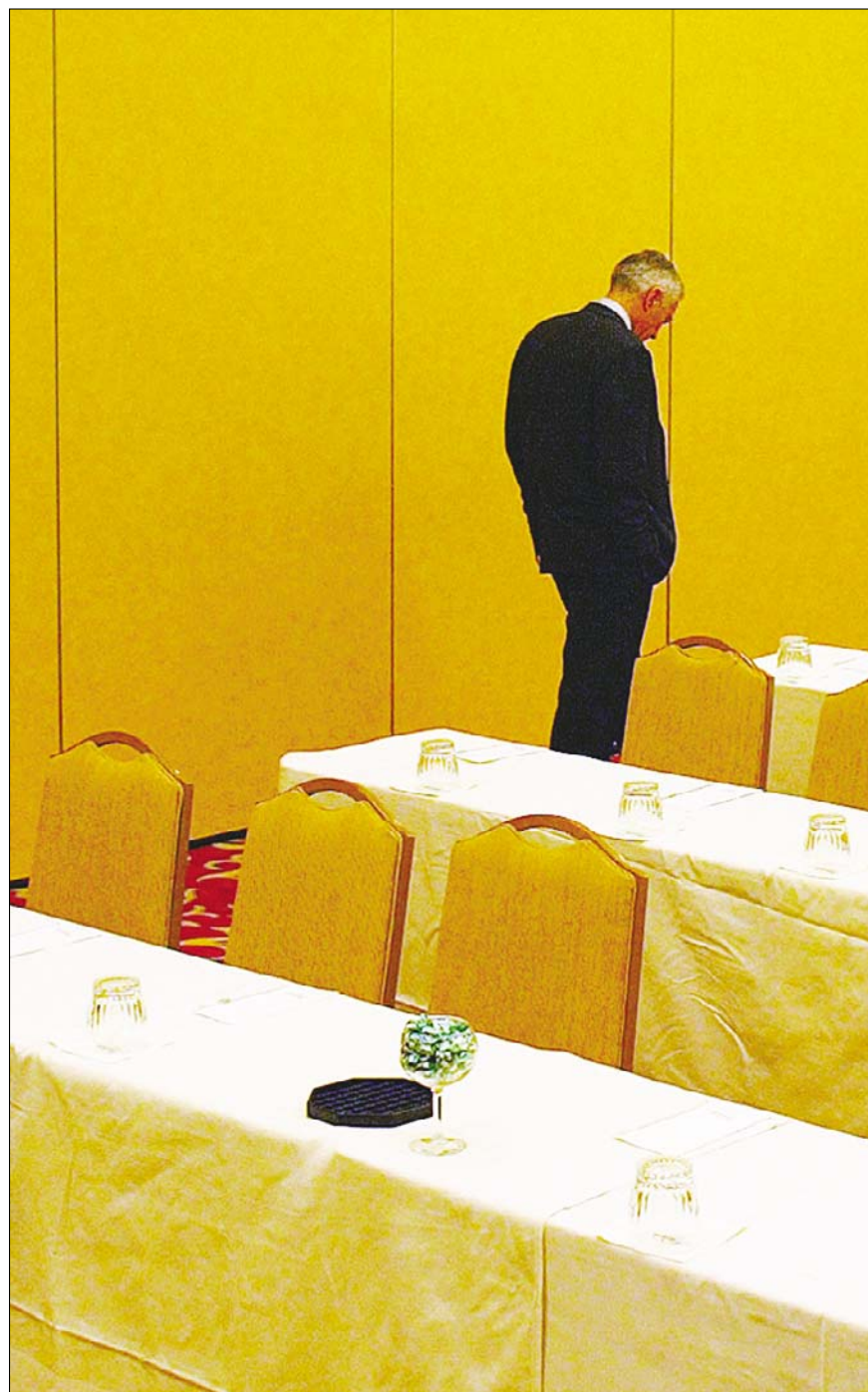
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BOWING OUT: Retired Gen. Wesley Clark takes a moment to gather his thoughts in Little Rock, Ark., before ending his bid for the Democratic presidential nomination on Wednesday. Clark won only one state primary. ♣ **And then there were five:** How Clark's departure affects the race | Page 3

Comcast Takes Aim At Disney

Bold merger bid could create world's largest media giant

ORLANDO, FLA. | Cable television giant Comcast Corp. on Wednesday made a surprise bid for The Walt Disney Co. that would create the world's biggest media conglomerate and likely end the 20-year career of embattled Disney chief Michael Eisner.

Comcast, which said Eisner had rejected the idea of private talks earlier this week, stunned the media world with its announcement. The bid was initially valued at \$54 billion, but Comcast will likely have to sweeten that offer.

Disney's board released a statement saying it would "carefully evaluate" Comcast's offer, cautioning shareholders not to take any action in the meantime. Disney shareholders will gather for their annual meeting March 3 in Philadelphia.

Comcast is moving at a time when Disney is struggling with internal strife over corporate governance concerns and Eisner's plans for succession, as well as lagging performance at key businesses such as ABC.

Comcast, which merged with AT&T Broadband in November 2002 to become the country's largest cable TV company, and Disney together had \$45 billion in revenues last year. If a deal is reached, they would edge out Time Warner, which had \$39.6 billion in revenues last year, atop the heap of media companies. SKIP WOLLENBERG (AP)



Eisner

● **Man and mouse:** Discuss the deal and Eisner's fate with the Post's Eve Zibart, author of "Inside Disney," 11 a.m. | washingtonpost.com/liveonline

RESCUES | Walking the Shark Lifeguards at a beach post north of Sydney, Australia, couldn't believe their eyes when a man walked in with a small shark attached to his leg. Luke Tresoglavic, 22, swam 1,000 feet to shore, walked to his car and drove to the local surf club with the 23-inch

shark refusing to let go. Lifeguards flushed the shark's gills with fresh water, forcing it to loosen its grip on Tresoglavic's leg, the Australian Broadcasting Corp. reported Wednesday. The shark died; Tresoglavic was taken to the hospital with 70 puncture wounds. (AP) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

EyeOpeners

ADVERTISING

He Ain't Heavy, He's for Sale

Barbara Bennett of Vancouver, Wash., wanted to sell her Brother brand sewing machine, so she bought a classified advertisement under "Miscellaneous" and "Items under \$50" in The Columbian newspaper. But the words "sewing machine" were accidentally dropped, leaving a "BROTHER" for sale ad. One caller wanted to know if the price was negotiable. Another, upon hearing what was really for sale, said merely, "Thank you," and hung up. Bennett said Tuesday she has two brothers in California and is not putting either on the block. (AP)



KEMP SMITH/NEWS TRIBUNE/AP

WINTER WONDERLAND

Found Him!

Some families take advantage of solid packing snow by making a good old-fashioned snowman. Not the Johnsons of Spring Valley, Ill. Troy Johnson, a concrete finisher, has an annual tradition of crafting intricate sculptures out of a strong winter's snowfall. This year, the creature of choice was the title character from the Disney film "Finding Nemo," colored with orange and black spray paint. Daughters Cierra, 6, left, and Aspen, 2, took in the finished work on Tuesday. (EXPRESS)



DAVID GRAY/REUTERS

ANIMAL WATCH

So, Have You Been Flossing?

A trip to the dentist's chair has become part of the daily routine for this Australian sea lion at the Taronga Zoo in Sydney, Australia. The average life expectancy for this type of sea lion is only 18 years, so this 19-year-old male must have his teeth and aging gums cleaned every day to prevent decay, zookeeper Ady D'Ettorre told Reuters on Tuesday. The Australian sea lion is one of the rarest seal species on the planet, according to an Australian government Web site. Officials estimate the animal's world population at 12,000. (EXPRESS)

LAW

You're Feeling Guilty, Verrrry Guilty

When Kansas Walker, the owner of a Larned, Kan., restaurant, invited a hypnotist to perform at his steakhouse, he expected hysterical laughter, maybe one or two people strutting like roosters. What he didn't expect

was for a sheriff's deputy to show up later that month telling him the performance was against a Kansas law that prohibits hypnotism for entertainment purposes. Walker described his frustration Monday for the state Senate Judiciary Committee, which is considering a bill to repeal the 1903 statute. (AP)

LINGUISTICS

Watching Britain's Language

Britain is changing its toon. Recordings of voices from the 1950s, the 1980s and 1990s on a new Web site show that older pronunciations like "toon" for town and "coo" for cow are fading, replaced with more standard forms, officials say. The

site features more than 11 hours of interviews and explanation of older words and phrases that have fallen out of use. Jonathan Robinson, curator of English Accents and Dialects at the British Library Sound Archive, said education, along with greater social and geographical mobility, have led to the changes. (AP)

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In Brief

WASHINGTON

Human Embryo Cloned for Stem Cells in South Korea

Researchers in South Korea for the first time have cloned a human embryo and then culled stem cells from it, according to a report in Friday's edition of Science magazine. The experiment will likely revive international controversy over human cloning. The technique, called therapeutic cloning, uses embryos that are the genetic twins of a particular patient and are grown in a test-tube to supply master stem cells that can grow into any tissue without being rejected by that patient's immune system. (AP)

WASHINGTON

White House Noncommittal On Gay Marriage Amendment

The White House refused to commit President Bush on Wednesday to supporting a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriages, although conservative leaders said they have received high-level assurances he will take that step. White House press secretary Scott McClellan said the administration was closely watching events in Massachusetts, where state lawmakers are on the verge of voting on an amendment to ban same-sex marriages. (AP)



McClellan

Mass. Faces Off Over Gay Marriage

Protesters swarm the Statehouse as vote on amendment nears

BOSTON | With scuffles breaking out inside the Statehouse and hundreds of people chanting slogans for and against gay rights, Massachusetts lawmakers took up a proposed constitutional amendment Wednesday to ban gay marriage.

Hundreds of people from across the country were confronted with tight security and a throng of reporters as the lawmakers entered the volatile national debate over gay rights — a debate stoked by a ruling from the state's highest court that said gay couples have the right to marry.

Impromptu rallies erupted outside the two-century-old building, while inside lawmakers and advocacy groups held last-minute news conferences to champion their cause.



Brad Reichard of Boston, left, holds a gay pride flag in response to a sign held by Herve Phanord of Woburn, Mass., right, during a rally at the Statehouse in Boston on Wednesday as legislators considered an amendment banning same-sex marriage.

The debate inside the Statehouse began with consideration of an unexpected amendment, proposed at the last minute by House Speaker Thomas Finneran, that would ban gay marriage but allow

the Legislature to adopt civil unions. After two hours of debate and accusations that the Democratic speaker was trying to hijack the process, that amendment was shot down by a 100-98 vote.

The first state-recognized gay marriages in U.S. history are to start taking place in mid-May. If a constitutional amendment were passed, the earliest it could go into effect would be 2006. JENNIFER PETER (AP)

Clark Drops Out of Presidential Race

LITTLE ROCK, ARK. | Wesley Clark dropped out of the race for the White House on Wednesday, a retired four-star general unable to command significant support as a first-time presidential candidate. "This is the end of the campaign for the presidency," Clark told supporters in his home state of Arkansas.

He coupled his withdrawal with words of praise for his remaining rivals — the front-runner, Sen. John Kerry, as well as Sen. John Edwards

and former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean. He also used his campaign farewell to criticize President Bush, accusing him of pursuing a "fatally flawed" foreign policy.

Clark, a 59-year-old career military man, burst onto the campaign last fall, supplanting his more experienced and better-known rivals at the top of the polls and demonstrating significant fund-raising ability.

But his political inexperience showed — he articulated diamet-

rically opposed positions on the war with Iraq within days of announcing his candidacy, for example, and was constantly refining his position on abortion.

In the end, Clark won only one state nominating contest — Oklahoma's — and came in third in the southern races held Tuesday.

DAVID HAMMER (AP)

The road ahead: Democrats set their sights on the primary race in Wisconsin | washingtonpost.com/politics

TRAIL MIX

With Wesley Clark out of the race, the remaining candidates focused on winning Wisconsin.

→ **Former Vermont Gov.**

Howard Dean, campaigning in Milwaukee on Wednesday, accused Mass. **Sen. John Kerry** of participating in "the corrupt political culture of Washington." He said Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina would be the better candidate to face President Bush in the general election.

→ **Wisconsin's** primary vote is scheduled for Feb. 17.

WHO KNEW? American families spend some \$660 per year on their TVs, stereos and video games, according to the Census Bureau's annual Statistical Abstract of the United States. (AP)

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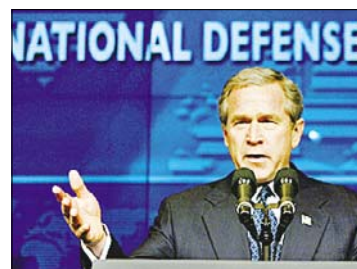
Nation

Bush Urges WMD Crackdown

Calls for end to the black-market spread of nuclear technology

WASHINGTON | President Bush, pointing to a black market weapons network led by the father of Pakistan's nuclear bomb, said Wednesday that no new countries should have the ability to enrich or process nuclear material.

He argued that international efforts to combat the spread of weapons of mass destruction have been neither broad nor effective enough and require tougher action from all nations.



President Bush announced an initiative on Wednesday aimed at curbing the spread of weapons of mass destruction.

"The greatest threat before humanity today is the possibility of secret and sudden attack with chemical or biological or radiological or nuclear weapons," Bush said.

His call to prevent countries from acquiring the technology to enrich uranium and reprocess spent fuel for plutonium was likely to anger Iran and North Korea and the countries that have supplied them.

Bush for the first time publicly accused Pakistani scientist Abdul Qadeer Khan's network of supplying to North Korea the centrifuge technology that is needed to make highly enriched uranium for nuclear weapons. The administration previously had said that it believed Khan's network was supplying weapons technology to North Korea, Libya and Iran but had not specified what.

JENNIFER LOVEN (AP)

Justice Defends Trip With Cheney

Scalia won't sit out Supreme Court case involving vice president

WASHINGTON | Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia strongly indicated he will ignore calls to recuse himself from a court case involving his friend and hunting partner, Vice President Dick Cheney.

Scalia told a gathering at Amherst College in Amherst, Mass., on Tuesday night there was nothing

improper about his accompanying Cheney to Louisiana last month to hunt ducks. The trip came three weeks after the Supreme Court agreed to hear the Bush administration's appeal in a case involving private meetings of Cheney's energy task force.

"It did not involve a lawsuit against Dick Cheney as a private individual," Scalia said in response to a question from the audience of about 600 people. "This was a government issue. It's acceptable

practice to socialize with executive branch officials when there are not personal claims against them."

Cheney wants to keep private the details of closed-door White House strategy sessions that produced the administration's energy policy.

The administration is fighting a lawsuit brought by watchdog and environmental groups that contend that industry executives helped shape the administration's energy policy. GINA HOLLAND (AP)

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EGYPTIAN TWINS | SEPARATE LIVES



CONJOINED NO MORE: Two-year-old Egyptian twins Mohamed, left, and Ahmed Ibrahim, pictured above with physical therapists, have come a long way since they were separated during a 34-hour surgery in October. Doctors told The Dallas Morning News the two face more surgery to reconstruct their skulls.

Bin Laden's Driver Claims No Ties to Taliban, Al Qaeda

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO | Osama bin Laden's \$200-a-month driver is being held at the Guantanamo Bay prison camp, but the man had no connection to Afghanistan's ousted Taliban regime or al Qaeda, his defense attorney said Wednesday.

Salim Ahmed Salim Hamdan, 34, left Yemen in 1996 for Afghanistan. He planned to continue on to Tajikistan to join Muslims fighting against former Soviet communists but took a job at bin Laden's farm to support his family, said his attorney, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Charles Swift.

Neither Hamdan nor any of the other 660 some detainees at the camp have been charged. (AP)

In Brief

MIDEAST

Fatah Leader's Son, 14 Others Killed in Israeli Raids in Gaza

An Israeli crackdown on Palestinian militants erupted Wednesday into the bloodiest fighting in the Gaza Strip in 16 months, killing 15 Palestinians. Among the dead were the 18-year-old son of Ahmed Hilles, the top leader of Yasser Arafat's Fatah faction in Gaza. Hamas vowed to retaliate and urged all its cells to attack. Similar calls in the past have been followed by suicide bombings in Israel. (AP)

EUROPE

Search for Mars Lander Ends

European scientists signaled the end of their hunt for the missing Beagle 2 Mars lander Wednesday. "The project has now officially moved on to assessing the possible reasons for the lack of communication," said scientist Colin Pillinger. Beagle 2, part of the European Space Agency's Mars Express mission, was scheduled to land on Mars on Dec. 25. It has not been heard from since it separated from the mother ship in mid-December. (AP)

PAKISTAN

Musharraf to Share Info on N. Korea's Nukes With Japan

President Gen. Pervez Musharraf promised Japan's deputy foreign minister Wednesday that Pakistan will share evidence from its investigation into black market deals that allegedly moved nuclear know-how to North Korea. The North has denied receiving technology from Abdul Qadeer Khan, the father of Pakistan's nuclear program whom Musharraf pardoned last week after he confessed to leaking nuclear technology. (AP)

AFGHANISTAN

2 Afghans Appeal Conviction For Murder of U.N. Worker

Two Afghans sentenced to death for the murder of French U.N. staffer Bettina Goislar last year have appealed their convictions, a judge said Wednesday. A court Tuesday convicted and sentenced the two men for the killing. The crime prompted a U.N. pullback from the lawless region. (AP)

The insider: A young Afghan who spent a year at Guantanamo speaks of his time there | Today's Post: Section A



INCONSOLABLE: Men weep after identifying their loved ones in the overflowing morgue at a Baghdad hospital on Wednesday.

2 Days, 2 Bombs, 100 Dead

Iraqis suffer yet another deadly suicide attack

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | A second suicide bombing in as many days killed up to 47 people Wednesday, pushing the toll in the back-to-back attacks to 100. Again, Iraqis were the targets — this time, a crowd of volunteers for Iraq's new army.

In Wednesday's attack in Baghdad, an Oldsmobile packed with 300 to 500 pounds of explosives drove up to a crowd of Iraqis

waiting outside an army recruitment center, which is only a few blocks from the heavily fortified Green Zone, headquarters of the U.S. administration.

The crowd was likely a mix of Sunnis and Shiites. But the suicide bombing a day earlier targeted a

mostly Shiite town south of Baghdad. A truck carrying a similar amount of explosives blew up outside a police station, killing 53 Iraqis.

Since Jan. 1, at least 261 Iraqi civilians have been killed in major suicide attacks or car bombings, according to an AP tally based on reports issued by the U.S. military or Iraqi police. MARIAM FAM (AP)

Second thoughts: Iraqis are questioning the wisdom and safety of seeking jobs with institutions that support the U.S.-led occupation | Today's Post: Section A

Righting the Wrongs Of Apartheid in S. Africa

Evicted 37 years ago from 'whites only' area, the exiled return home

CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA | Ebrahim Murat said a quiet prayer for his late wife moments before accepting the keys to his new home in Cape Town's District Six area from former President Nelson Mandela on Wednesday.

Murat and about 67,000 others were evicted from District Six, a once bustling neighborhood on the edge of Cape Town, 37 years ago after the racist apartheid government declared it a "whites only" area.

Former residents can now return to the land, although most of the buildings were destroyed, or be compensated for their lost property under the government's land claims program.

Murat's new home is the first of many that will be given to about 4,000 families returning over the next three years.

For Jaswint Gihwala, the day of return came as a shock.

"We never thought this day would come," said Gihwala, 73. "I was given 24 hours' notice," she said, recalling the day the government moved in with its bulldozers and told her to leave.



Dan Ndzabela, 82, holds an etching of his former home in District Six during a ceremony to celebrate the return of those forcibly removed under apartheid.

"They made us pack up our lives in 24 hours," she said. "It must never happen again." ELLIOTT SYLVESTER (AP)

U.S. Turns Focus to Jordanian

Militant suspected of organizing foreign insurgents in Iraq

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | The U.S. military posted a \$10 million bounty on a Jordanian militant suspected of organizing violence by foreign fighters and plotting an acceleration in attacks aimed at sparking a Sunni-Shiite civil war in Iraq.

The United States made public a letter to al Qaeda leaders thought to be sent by the militant, Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, that it intercepted Monday. In it, he warns that militants are in a "race against time" to stop the June 30 handover of power to Iraqis.

The letter also outlines a strategy of kidnappings of U.S. soldiers and greater attacks on "collaborators," Kurds and particularly Shiites, saying "the best solution" is to spark war between Iraq's Shiite majority and Sunni minority.

A U.S. official in Washington said al-Zarqawi's involvement in this week's bombings in Iraq could not be ruled out, but that the blasts were more likely the work of Saddam loyalists. MARIAM FAM (AP)

Sao Paulo Zoo Puzzled by Spate Of Animal Deaths

SAO PAULO, BRAZIL | Police are investigating a spate of unusual cases of apparent death by poisoning at the Sao Paulo Zoo, one of the world's largest, where 10 animals have dropped dead in a two-week period.

Three chimpanzees, three tapirs, three camels and an elephant died between Jan. 24 and Feb. 6.

Police probed for motives among the zoo's staff and at first speculated about a possible "serial animal killer." But the current focus is on a more mundane cause — rat poison spread when the rodents defecate and urinate in the animal cages.

Staff are keeping a 24-hour watch over the zoo's 3,200 animals. (AP)

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D.C. Panel Dives Into Water Woes

Task force's report on contamination due to city leaders in April

WASHINGTON | Mayor Anthony A. Williams and the D.C. Council want a full report on the city's water quality problems.

An interagency task force began holding weekly meetings this week. The panel is made up of representatives from the Council and key city agencies — including the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority. Their report is due by April 9.

Officials are trying to determine what could be accelerating the rate of pipe corrosion, a possible source of lead in the water supply.

For most of WASA's customers,

lead levels have remained well within the safe range of no more than 15 parts per billion, but samples taken at thousands of homes have found levels exceeding 300 parts per billion.

That prompted WASA to launch a public information campaign required by the federal Environmental Protection Agency.

Meanwhile, Congressional Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton, D-D.C., is calling for a hearing into the problem and possible remedies. She also wants to know whether the EPA has exercised adequate oversight of WASA. **DERRILL HOLLY (AP)**

Water safety: Rick Andrew, Cheryl Luptowski and Cliff McLellan of NSF International discuss D.C.'s water | washingtonpost.com/liveonline at 3 p.m.

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY | BREAKING THROUGH



UP FOR AIR: Officer Brian Gardner of the Prince William County Police Dive Team breaks through ice at the top of the Montclair Country Club pool during a training exercise on Wednesday in Dumfries, Va.

Ruling Calls for Full D.C. Voting Rights

WASHINGTON | Advocates of full congressional voting rights in the District of Columbia celebrated a victory in the court of world opinion Wednesday.

The Organization of American States ruled that the U.S. government is violating D.C. resi-

dents' human rights by denying them full voting representation in Congress.

The OAS's Inter-American Commission on Human Rights recommended that the District have one House member and two senators. **(AP)**

In Brief

ROCKVILLE, MD.

Montgomery County Police Arrest 4 Bounty Hunters

Montgomery County police have charged four bounty hunters on allegations they harassed Hispanic fugitives, stole from them, impersonated police and held one man for ransom. The four Maryland men are Neville Lawrence, 44, of Laurel; Joe King, 26, of Columbia; Craig Lawrence, 19, of Burtonsville; and Robert Powell, 48, of Baltimore. They are charged with crimes that include burglary, false imprisonment, impersonating a police officer and theft. **(AP)**

RICHMOND, VA

Bill Legalizing Sodomy in Va. Passes Senate Committee

A state Senate panel took the first step Wednesday in rewriting Virginia's anti-sodomy law by passing a bill to conform with last year's landmark U.S. Supreme Court sodomy ruling. The bill would make sodomy legal for consenting adults who are not in a public place or performing an act of prostitution. **(AP)**

The Lotteries

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Money

In Brief

ECONOMY

Greenspan: Deficits Could Threaten Economy's Health

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan on Wednesday warned that mushrooming federal budget deficits eventually could threaten the national economy, which he said had shown "impressive gains." Greenspan, in remarks to a House committee, offered a fairly upbeat assessment and expressed hope companies would step up hiring. He reaffirmed the Fed's stance that it would be patient in considering possible increases in short-term interest rates. (AP)



Greenspan

STEWART TRIAL

Prosecutors Play Tape of Broker Denying Any Tip-Off

Jurors at the Martha Stewart trial listened Wednesday to a recording in which her stockbroker told government investigators he had no advance word of the bad news that sent ImClone Systems stock tumbling in December 2001. Broker Peter Bacanovic instead described an agreement with Stewart to sell her stock if it fell below \$60. The prosecution, which introduced the tape of the February 2002 interview, contends the story about the deal is a lie. (AP)



Stewart

Toy Story: Beating The Discounters

Manufacturers and retailers team up to protect their profits

NEW YORK | Led by Wal-Mart Stores Inc., discount retailers won a war with other toy stores this past holiday season. Now toymakers, a casualty in that bitter fight, have decided to make their own stand.

To protect themselves and toy retailers they see as key to their profits, some manufacturers plan to deliver fewer hot toys to Wal-Mart and to have more exclusive launches at chains like Toys "R" Us Inc. It's a rare instance of manufacturers challenging the biggest U.S. retail juggernaut and its low-price approach to business.

The price wars contributed to the bankruptcies last holiday season of FAO Inc., owner of the famed FAO Schwarz, and KB Toys Inc.

Given the clout of Wal-Mart, which has a 21 percent share of the toy market, it remains to be seen whether these strategies will be effective. Many manufacturers said there is only so much they can do. Setting prices with retailers is illegal under antitrust laws.

Karen Burk, a Wal-Mart spokeswoman, said: "Our focus will continue to be what it has always been, and that is delivering value to our customers, and that will not change."

The pricing issue is expected to be a key concern at the American International Toy Fair, which begins on Sunday.

The \$20 billion toy industry suffered a 3 percent decline in sales last year, according to analysts' estimates. Meanwhile, prices fell 4.3 percent on top of a 9.3 percent decline in 2002, according to the Labor Department.

ANNE D'INNOCENZIO (AP)



Wild Planet Toys' Aquadets will be at Toys "R" Us exclusively for three months this spring before going to mass merchants.

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Skechers	11.47	+1.77	+18.2
GiantIn	15.94	+2.14	+15.5
Disney	27.60	+3.52	+14.6
Revlon	3.54	+0.40	+12.7
IMS Hlth	26.25	+2.90	+12.4

Losers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Milacron	3.16	-.50	-13.7
SfgSci	5.23	-.77	-12.8
HealthNet	28.31	-4.13	-12.7
LeapFrog	27.01	-3.39	-11.2
Goodyear	8.96	-.96	-9.7

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
NvtlWrIs	16.76	+4.17	+33.1
VCamps	2.81	+.66	+30.7
SpeedUs	3.15	+.65	+26.0
VistaMed	2.01	+.39	+24.1
Lndcorp	3.64	+.65	+21.7

Losers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Remec	7.80	-2.58	-24.9
Physmtrx	2.36	-.71	-23.1
PacIntrnet	10.35	-1.70	-14.1
SteelCloud	2.40	-.35	-12.7
Genus	3.80	-.52	-12.0

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	4.00	4.00
Fed Funds close	1.00	1.00
3-month	0.91	0.91
2-year	1.71	1.76
10-year	4.03	4.11
30-year	4.90	4.95

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5299	.5345	.6178
Canadian Dollar	1.3330	1.3306	1.5286
European Euro	.7807	.7868	.9313
Japanese Yen	105.37	105.56	121.06
Mexican Peso	10.9970	11.1220	10.9825
Taiwanese Dollar	33.15	33.19	34.84

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
+123.85	+14.33	+12.22
+1.17	+0.69	+1.07
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Bank Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
BcBilVArg	14.13	+.19	+2.0
BcoSnCH	12.08	+.15	+.6
BankOne	52.72	+1.14	+15.6
Bk of Am	81.99	+.37	+1.9
Barclay	39.76	+1.21	+9.4
CredSuisse	40.42	+.49	+11.3
DeutschBk	86.69	+1.16	+5.4
FleetBost	44.89	+.16	+2.8
HSBC	81.30	+1.40	+3.1
JPMorgCh	40.27	+.79	+10.7
LloydTSB	35.49	+.75	+9.0
UBS AG	77.26	-.07	+13.6
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Wachovia	47.50	+.15	+2.0
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Sports

Clarett Beats NFL Again

Judge refuses to suspend ruling; player going pro

FOOTBALL | Maurice Clarett is ready to enter the NFL draft, clearing another legal obstacle Wednesday when a federal judge rejected the league's request to suspend her ruling.

U.S. District Judge Shira Scheindlin concluded the Ohio State running back could face "very detrimental" harm if excluded from the draft. She said the NFL would not be irreparably harmed if Clarett and other underclassmen are eligible.

"Maurice Clarett's going to be in the draft," the player's lawyer, Alan Milstein, said after the decision.

NFL lawyer Gregg Levy said the league will ask the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to stay Scheindlin's ruling while it appeals.

Scheindlin ruled last week that an NFL rule barring eligibility to Clarett and other young players from April's draft violates antitrust law.

The judge said the NFL's concern that younger players may over-train

or resort to steroid use to better qualify for the draft "makes no sense."

Levy, the NFL lawyer, was not surprised by this latest ruling and insisted the league is confident about its coming appeal.

Clarett ran for 1,237 yards and led Ohio State to a national championship as a freshman in the 2002 season. But the school suspended him before last season for accepting money from a family friend and for lying about it to NCAA and university investigators.

LARRY NEUMEISTER (AP)



Two years ago, Maurice Clarett led Ohio State to the National Championship. Now Clarett, suspended for the entire 2003 season, is going pro, his lawyer says.

SOCCER | MAKING A POINT



CIVIL ACTION: Sevilla's Pablo Alfaro, left, argues with Real Madrid's David Beckham in a Copa del Ray match in Spain Wednesday. Sevilla won 1-0 on Wednesday, but Real Madrid advanced with a 2-1 aggregate score.

Sun Sets on Cubs' Afternoon Games

BASEBALL | The Cubs will be allowed to increase their night games at Wrigley Field from 18 to 30 per season by 2006 under an ordinance approved Wednesday by the Chicago City Council.

The limit will increase to 22 this year, 26 in 2005 and 30 in 2006

under the ordinance.

The Cubs are the last major league team to play the majority of their 81 home games in the afternoon. Lights weren't added to Wrigley Field until 1988.

The Cubs say night games would generate more revenue. (AP)

Colorado Coach at Center of Storm

Barnett says football program clean despite recent rape accusations

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | When Gary Barnett was hired to coach Colorado's football team five years ago, he was embraced as a disciplinarian who would end an era of loose recruiting practices and return the team to national prominence.

Now the coach is at the center of a huge scandal at the school.

Amid accusations that a boozy round of recruiting visits by high school prospects in 2001 ended in gang rape, Barnett faces a university investigation that was all but



Gary Barnett faults the players for the 2001 party that led to rape allegations.

ordered by Colorado's governor.

Barnett says he will be cleared by the investigation and disputes accusations in a federal lawsuit that the Boulder campus is a hostile place for women.

The coach blames the players and students for the December 2001 party that led to the rape allegations and says he can't watch players and recruits 24 hours a day.

Barnett insists he responded properly when the rape accusations first surfaced. He imposed a 1 a.m. curfew on recruits and required their player hosts to sign a pledge to keep recruits from being exposed to inappropriate behavior.

Colorado's former senior associate athletic director, Robert Chichester, suggests otherwise. In his deposition in one of the lawsuits, he said Barnett seemed unwilling to set a tone of intolerance toward rowdiness during recruiting visits.

JOHN MOSSMAN (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

PRO HOCKEY (7 p.m. on Comcast) The Washington Capitals could inch closer to fourth place in the Southeast division with a victory over the Carolina Hurricanes.

GOLF (3 p.m. on USA) Tiger Woods is the defending champion of the Buick Invitational, which begins today in La Jolla, Calif.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (7 p.m. on ESPN2) Wake Forest (13-6, 4-5) can even its record at 5-5 in the ACC when taking on the league's last-place team, Clemson (9-11, 2-7).

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL (9 p.m. on ESPN2) Two Conference USA teams likely to make the NCAA tournament square off when Charlotte (14-5, 6-2) hosts Louisville (17-3, 7-2).

Hecklers Chant 'Osama' as U.S. Loses Olympic Bid

SOCCER | The boos nearly drowned out "The Star-Spangled Banner," and a few dozen fans chanted "Osama! Osama!" as the United States was eliminated by Mexico in Olympic men's soccer qualifying.

A loud anti-American crowd yelled the first name of Osama bin Laden as Mexico beat the United States 4-0 Tuesday night in the under-23 tournament, claiming a berth in the Athens Olympics.

The jeering continued after the match, as well.

As U.S. players left the Mexican



A fan holds up the Olympic rings during Tuesday's win over the U.S.

stadium for their bus, several fans — some clutching beers — chanted "Osama! Osama!" Police in riot gear held back the crowd and urged people to calm down.

The U.S. men will miss the Olympics for the first time since 1980 — when the entire American delegation boycotted the Moscow Games. (AP)

Sports

In Brief

COLLEGE FOOTBALL
NCAA Proposes Replay
Test During Big Ten Games

The NCAA Football Rules Committee has recommended that instant replay be used on an experimental basis during Big Ten conference games in 2004. The proposal must still be approved by the NCAA championships/competition cabinet for Division I. A date for the cabinet to consider the matter has not been set, the NCAA said in a release Wednesday. (AP)

COLLEGE SPORTS
Minnesota Wrestling Coach
Files Fairness Complaint

Minnesota wrestling coach J Robinson filed a gender discrimination complaint against the university. Robinson, who led the Gophers to the 2002 national title, contends the men's sports programs do not receive equal treatment at the school. Robinson, declining to give specifics, said Wednesday that he objected to the way the university implemented Title IX, the 1973 legislation requiring institutions to offer equal opportunities to women and men. (AP)

PRO BASKETBALL
Bryant Off the Injured List

Kobe Bryant was taken off the injured list by the Los Angeles Lakers before Wednesday night's game against the Houston Rockets. Bryant missed seven games with a cut on his right index finger. Because of the finger injury, a sprained right shoulder and a sore right knee, he missed 14 of the first 49 games. (AP)



Bryant

COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Embattled St. John's Guard
Withdraws From University

St. John's guard Elijah Ingram withdrew from the university Wednesday, one week after he and five other teammates broke curfew to go to a strip club. Ingram, a sophomore who led the team in scoring, left on the same day the St. John's judicial board suspended teammate Abe Keita from school for one year, the university announced. Both Ingram and Keita already were permanently suspended from the basketball team. (AP)

Klitschko, Sanders Eye
Match for Vacated Title

BOXING | Less than a week after heavyweight champion Lennox Lewis retired, Corrie Sanders and Vitali Klitschko have begun talks for a bout for the vacant WBC title.

Promoter Vernon Smith said Wednesday he hopes for an April 24 fight date, preferably in New York or Las Vegas, with HBO broadcasting the event. Discussions with the Klitschko camp started Tuesday night, he added.

The title was vacated Friday when Lewis left boxing rather than defend his crown in a rematch with Klitschko.

Lewis, who is director of the management company representing Sanders, said he will help promote the fight. Sanders, the former WBO champion from South Africa, knocked out Klitschko's brother,



Corrie Sanders, left, hopes to win former champ Lennon Lewis's belt.

Wladimir, in the second round last March in Hanover, Germany. The 38-year-old Sanders is 39-2 with 29 knockouts.

Vitali Klitschko was leading Lewis on all three scorecards after six rounds before being stopped on cuts last June. KRYSZYNA RUDZKI (AP)

NBA**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
New Jersey	30	20	.600	—	9-1 21-10
New York	25	28	.472	6.5	6-4 18-14
Boston	23	30	.434	8.5	3-7 14-22
Philadelphia	21	31	.404	10	2-8 16-18
Miami	21	32	.396	10.5	4-6 14-17
Washington	16	33	.327	13.5	5-5 9-22
Orlando	13	40	.245	18.5	2-8 11-24

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
Indiana	39	14	.736	—	7-3 27-8
Detroit	33	20	.623	6	4-6 22-13
New Orleans	27	24	.529	11	4-6 19-15
Milwaukee	27	24	.529	11	5-5 21-12
Toronto	25	25	.500	12.5	5-5 15-15
Cleveland	20	32	.385	18	6-4 15-18
Atlanta	18	35	.340	21	5-5 11-20
Chicago	14	38	.269	24.5	2-8 12-17

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
Minnesota	36	15	.706	—	7-3 16-11
San Antonio	35	18	.660	2	7-3 17-11
Dallas	33	19	.635	3.5	7-3 19-12
Memphis	29	22	.569	7	6-4 16-15
Houston	29	22	.569	7	5-5 11-16
Denver	30	23	.566	7	5-5 20-15
Utah	26	26	.500	10.5	5-5 15-18

PACIFIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
Sacramento	36	13	.735	—	7-3 22-11
L.A. Lakers	31	18	.633	5	6-4 15-14
Portland	24	26	.480	12.5	7-3 12-19
Seattle	24	27	.471	13	3-7 16-15
L.A. Clippers	22	28	.440	14.5	4-6 11-18
Golden State	22	28	.440	14.5	5-5 13-19
Phoenix	18	36	.333	20.5	2-8 11-20

Standings through Feb. 10.

❖ **Games:** For results of the Wizards game Wednesday, and other action in the NBA, NHL, and men's and women's college basketball | washingtonpost.com/sports

NHL**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

SOUTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	28	17	7	3	66	151	123
Florida	19	23	11	3	52	124	151
Atlanta	21	28	6	2	50	152	175
Carolina	17	26	10	2	46	105	138
Washington	17	31	5	2	41	129	173

ATLANTIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Philadelphia	29	12	11	5	74	162	124
New Jersey	28	15	10	1	67	124	104
N.Y. Islanders	26	21	6	2	60	154	136
N.Y. Rangers	20	24	7	4	51	143	157
Pittsburgh	11	37	5	3	30	112	213

NORTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Toronto	30	14	9	3	72	156	135
Boston	28	14	11	4	71	148	131
Ottawa	29	15	7	4	69	183	121
Montreal	28	21	6	2	64	140	125
Buffalo	24	26	5	1	54	134	142

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Detroit	31	15	8	2	72	181	131
St. Louis	26	21	7	1	60	130	137
Nashville	26	20	6	2	60	130	142
Columbus	15	28	8	3	41	112	153
Chicago	14	29	7	5	40	125	163

NORTHWEST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Colorado	30	11	10	4	74	168	124
Vancouver	31	15	7	3	72	168	127
Calgary	27	20	5	3	62	137	125
Minnesota	19	21	15	2	55	124	128
Edmonton	22	24	8	1	53	141	144

PACIFIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
San Jose	26	14	11	5	68	139	113
Dallas	27	20	9	0	63	118	122
Los Angeles	22	15	13	5	62	145	140
Phoenix	18	19	14	3	53	136	148
Anaheim	17	23	8	7	49	119	148

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Jungle adventures on ice? It makes perfect sense to Disney fans

OUT & ABOUT | Disney on Ice is bringing its latest frosty extravaganza, "Three Jungle Stories," to MCI Center this weekend.

No doubt Disney wants you to experience the magic of your favorite animated feature films coming to gliding, spinning, soaring life on the ice.

The entertainment company probably thinks this is an especially-for-kids event — it's colorful, energetic and sports more shiny, glittery fabrics than Boy George's entire wardrobe.

But let us tell you, Disney on Ice events rock. We saw "Princess

Classics" last year and just about lost our minds. You want beautiful girls effortlessly gliding while heavily miked synchronized dialogue tinnily exhorts the prince to wake up or the fairy to wait? You want a phalanx of chorus boys in turbans? Objects generally acknowledged to be inanimate coming to life and chatting among themselves about a kingdom's destiny?

Also, MCI Center sells beer, so it's really the best of both worlds for the of-age but young-at-heart.

The show "3 Jungle Adventures" conflates the greatest songs, moments and characters from Disney's leafiest top-sellers: "The Lion King," "Tarzan" and "Jungle Book." While Jane and Tarz get to know each other in their treetop hideaway and little Simba learns how to rule with an iron paw, Baloo, Mowgli, Kaa and Shere Khan get down with their jungly selves.

Songs include "You'll Be in My Heart," "Can You Feel the Love Tonight" and an all-"Jungle Book" score that swings harder than

Tarzan featuring "Bare Necessities" and "I Wanna Be Like You."

All the while, of course, on ice. Disney on Ice productions are not like films and not exactly like staged shows — lord knows they're nothing like reading the original texts. But put us in the dark with a glittering arena to look at, beautiful young people in sparkling costumes, hilarious animals and talking objects, a score of well-loved hits and that freaky, tinny narration machine, and we're in a heaven that's as grown-up as we care to experience. (EXPRESS)

Through Feb. 15; MCI Center, 601 F St. NW; \$15-\$55; 202-432-7328. (Metro Center)

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Top Stops

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The costumes of Women of the Gospel are almost as gorgeous as their voices.

Come Together:
Gospel Mass Choirs Reunion

Washington Performing Arts Society's Men and Women of the Gospel Mass Choirs are gems of the local vocal scene, but over the decade or so of the choir's founding, members have come and gone. Now, WPAS brings together more than 100 singers from the choir's past and present for a roof-raising gospel show that's sure to stir your soul.

Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; Sun., Feb. 15, 2 p.m., \$20-\$45; 202-467-4600. (Foggy Bottom)

Structural Analysis:
Men of Steel

They weren't supermen, so it's even more impressive that the ordinary "Men of Steel" discussed in Karl Koch III's lecture about the construction of the World Trade Center managed to build the high-rise.

National Building Museum, 401 F St. NW; Thu., Feb. 12, 6:30 p.m., \$17; nbm.org. (Judiciary Square)

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The Roots of Destiny

'The Syringa Tree' is black and white and painful all over

STAGE | So much can happen amidst the berries of one syringa tree.

Pamela Gien's Obie-winning play recounts a childhood in a Johannesburg, South Africa, suburb during apartheid. The action is narrated by 10-year-old Elizabeth, who acts as an on-stage version of the playwright.

Elizabeth's liberal parents struggle to keep a warm home against the pressures of the times. The bigoted



T. CHARLES ERICKSON

RELUCTANT WITNESS: A young girl grows up amid the contradictions of apartheid-era South Africa in "Syringa Tree," Pamela Gien's Obie-winning play.

neighbors, especially, make life difficult. A wicked twist separates the young white girl from her beloved black nanny, Salamina. "Nanny," however, inadequately describes Salamina's role. Elizabeth is practically a sister to Salamina's child, Moliseng. Tragically, their fates couldn't be more different.

The role requires a virtuoso turn from the sole actor, Gin Hammond. She must shift seamlessly between 23 characters that populate Elizabeth's memory. From male to female, newborn to geriatric, white to black and back again. All the tics and postures of family

resemblance come into play.

Throughout the decades, bigotry, violence and plain human weakness take their toll on white and black alike. By the time Elizabeth returns to her hometown as an adult to find her caretaker, audiences feel the weight of 30 years of a family's spotted history. Before alighting at Studio Theatre, the play enjoyed triumphs in Seattle and New York. It even had a South African homecoming. The play, like the playwright, has traveled far from the syringa tree. **BOB MASSEY**

Studio Theatre, 1333 P St. NW; opens Fri., Feb. 13, \$25-\$45; 202-332-3300. (U St.-Cardozo)



HIGHBROW: Meet at the Swiss Embassy for a connoisseur's tasting of cheese and chocolate. No clocks, however. 2900 Cathedral Ave. NW; Thu., Feb. 12, 7 p.m., \$65; tastedc.com.

TopStops

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Stepping Out: Alpha Phi on the Beat

Thrill to the syncopated beat of the music! Gasp at the precision timing of the dancers! The Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity presents its annual, heart-stopping, foot-stomping Ultimate Challenge Step Show.

Lisner Auditorium, 720 21st St. NW; Sat., Feb. 14, 7:30 p.m., \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door; 301-808-6900. (Foggy Bottom)

Funk in the Trunk: Digital Underground

Not many hip-hop consortia can



Shock G discovers his nose isn't real.

boast a guy in a fake nose calling himself "Humpty-Hump." Only one, in fact: late-1980s sensation Digital Underground. D.U. featured otherwise sane men, including DJ Shock G, who posed as this Hump character, dancing around like maniacs and exorting us to

"Doowutchyalike." Sounds good.

Lulu's Club Mardi Gras, 1217 M St. NW; Sat., Feb. 14, 9 p.m., \$10 before 10 p.m. at the door; 703-251-4800. (Foggy Bottom)

It's War: Revolutionary Skirmish

We're always itching for a fight after Valentine's Day. Fortunately, that's just in time for the annual Revolutionary War Encampment and Skirmish. Let's kick some British crumpet, again.

Fort Ward Park, 4301 West Braddock Road, Alexandria; Sun., Feb. 15, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; 703-838-4848.

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FACE OFF | BOYS AGAINST GIRLS



JULIA EWANT/WP

MACHO MAN: Washington Post humor columnist Gene Weingarten faces feminist professor Gina Barreca over their book, "I'm With Stupid: One Man. One Woman: 10,000 Years of Misunderstanding Cleared Right Up." Olsson's, 2111 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; Thu., Feb. 12, 7 p.m., free; 703-525-4227.

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Getting in Deep

**Who's afraid of
Scandinavian death
metal? Most folks are**

MUSIC | For some strange reason, the tag "Scandinavian death metal" tends to scare people away. Adventuresome listeners will find some of the world's most dynamic and epic bands within the confines of this oft-maligned and misunderstood genre.

Sweden's Opeth, playing this Sunday at the 9:30 Club, mixes ambitious elements of '70s prog-rock with traditional chugging metal to create an innovative and critically acclaimed sound. Many of its songs — especially when played live — drift for longer than 10 minutes; some even push the 30-minute mark.

Opeth thrives on the contrast between the deep riffs and pounding bass of its faster sections and the brooding introspection of its interludes. In its latest project, a sweeping double LP, Opeth devotes one



SWEDISH MEATBALLS: Opeth alternates between bone-rattling depths and brain-spinning speed with digressions in between, but the band's name is still a mystery.

album to each of its two markedly divergent styles.

Due to record company insistence, however, "Deliverance" and "Damnation" were released five months apart. These two seemingly incongruent albums represent a remarkable accomplishment for a metal band and showcase Opeth at its peak.

If you're a fan of death metal,

you probably already have tickets for both Opeth and its equally groundbreaking Northern European brethren The Gathering on Monday.

But for daring metal neophytes looking for a new sound or two, this show will provide an essential introduction. **PETER DENTON**

9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; Sun., Feb. 15, \$18; 703-218-6500. (U St.-Cardozo)

NIGHTLIFE | LADIES IN THE HOUSE



GOOD GIRLS DON'T: Party girls get their howl on at the D.C. Coyote Ugly, which opens grandly this weekend. Expect Ugly girls to dance dirty, spray the crowd with bar liquids and act in such a manner that aggression passes for take-charge sexuality. The bar claims the women "have all the control." 717 6th St., NW; Fri., Feb. 13, 4 p.m.; 202-589-0016.

Entertainment | Weekend Pass

TopStops

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At Home on Any Range: Jane Monheit

A retro jazz vocalist who refuses to be boxed in by the classics, singer Jane Monheit has a smoky, elastic voice that induces chills and swoons in equal measure, and her taste is wide-ranging but never panders to mass-market pop.

Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria, Thu.-Fri., Feb. 12-13; 7:30 p.m., \$25; 703-549-7500.



The sultry and stylish Jane Monheit.

Friday in

The Washington Post | Weekend Section

Novel Romance:

Do that voodoo, revisit vaudeville, bowl a strike and skip the same-old Valentine's clichés. | *Cover*

→ Also, sweet times in Hershey, Pa.; funny guy Bertolt Brecht; the return of soul man Al Green.



FUNNY, THEY DON'T LOOK LIKE THE COOL KIDS: The Wino-driven Darkest Hour.

Growing Up Metal

MUSIC | In high school I thought the metal kids were stupid. If, back then, I'd said the Black Cat would host the Hidden Hand and the Darkest Hour on Friday the 13th, those idiot metalheads would go torch a church.

At some point after my adolescence, metal got smarter. (So did I.) Dragons, devil horns, and corpse paint were out. (Sure, I know about Mudvayne and Cradle of Filth, but I said "smarter.") Reality was plenty intense. Metal and punk converged, and suddenly rage became a lot less dumb.

Darkest Hour came straight outta Northern Virginia with Minor Threat records in their rooms but Slayer on the brain. No leather pants, no studded bracelets — just tight, heavy riffs. After endless gigs and three albums, they're about to head off on a world tour with the

likes of Anthrax and Thrice.

Darkest Hour probably wouldn't exist without Wino. Scott "Wino" Weinrich is the Maryland native behind such punk-metal pioneers as Saint Vitus, the Obsessed, Spirit Caravan and now the Hidden Hand; the name refers to the unseen forces — both spiritual and political — behind current world events. Suffice to say Wino's prognosis is not optimistic, and yet, quite loud.

Also, we feel obliged to mention Probot. This is Wino's forthcoming collaboration with the Foo Fighters' Dave Grohl and Motorhead's Lemmy Kilmister. They're not playing this weekend — it's just that the concept is so mindblowing.

Oh, to be in high school right now. BOB MASSEY

Black Cat, 1811 14th St. NW; Fri., Feb. 13, 9:30 p.m.; \$8; 202-667-7960. (U St.-Cardozo)

GALLERIES | GO, FIGURE



OLD-SCHOOL ART SCHOOL: "Contemporary Figurative Painting" takes many forms at this diverse new exhibition, which includes Andrew Wodzianski's slick, menacing Mexican wrestlers in "Lucha Libre," above. Through March 13. Fraser Gallery Bethesda, 7700 Wisconsin Ave., Suite E, Bethesda; opens Fri., Feb. 13; 301-718-9651. (Bethesda)



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Weekend Pass | Entertainment

Love Gets Around

OUT & ABOUT | Solo or a *deux*, these Valentine's weekend events are sweet indulgences.

Heart & Soul

It's a Valentine Celebration with Al Green, Stephanie Mills and Phil Perry.

Constitution Hall, 1776 D St. NW; Sat.-Sun., Feb. 13-14, 8 p.m., \$60.50-\$65.50; 202-432-7328.

For Lovers Only

Timmy Hall and William Troxler make your lover laugh.

Jokes on Us, 312 Main St., Laurel; Fri.-Sun., Feb. 13-15; 240-568-5081.

Artemis Quartet

The foursome plays works by Piazzolla, Bartok and Janacek.

Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, University Boulevard and Stadium Drive, College Park; Fri., Feb. 13, 8 p.m., \$30; 301-405-2787.

Family Festival

A daylong "Love Fest" of poetry, dance, films and storytelling for the whole family.

Sackler Gallery, 1050 Independence Ave. NW; Sat., Feb. 14; 202-432-7328. (Smithsonian)



HERE, HOLD THESE: Artemis Quartet at the stringed-instrument checkroom.

Dee Dee's Love Songs

Jazz-blues-scat goddess Dee Dee Bridgewater sings French songs of love in her show, "J'Adore l'Amour," part of the Festival of France.

Kennedy Center, 2700 F St. NW; Sat., Feb. 14, 7:30 and 9:30 p.m., \$30; 202-467-4600. (Foggy Bottom)

Champagne and Diamonds

Enjoy a light champagne brunch and a screening of the 1960 classic, "Breakfast at Tiffany's"

Visions Cinema, 1927 Florida Ave. NW; Sat., Feb. 14, 1 p.m., \$14 per person; \$25 per couple; 202-667-0090. (Dupont Circle)

Six Strings of Love

The guitar faculty of the Levine School of Music plays its annual Valentine's Day Guitar Gala, a night of romantic music.

Mexican Cultural Institute, 2829 16th St. NW; Sat., Feb. 14, 8 p.m., \$350\$50; levineschool.org.

It's a Donkey's Life for Us

FILM | Here's the punch line. French director Robert Bresson believed the human condition was best expressed by the life of a donkey.

This would call for a "Jackass: The Movie" joke here, except for one thing: "Au Hasard Balthazar" just may be what the Village Voice calls it: "the supreme masterpiece by one of the greatest of 20th century filmmakers."

Three children from the French countryside baptize a donkey. Unexpectedly, the poor beast now has a soul. That does not improve his lot, nor that of young Marie, who christened the animal "Balthazar."

Marie and her four-footed creation both wander through life as listlessly and free of purpose as barnyard animals.



Marie contemplates the emptiness.

They are misused by cruel men, and Marie, who as a human is obliged to respond to her world, is incapable of comprehending life's magical moments. This willful igno-

rance is at the heart of Bresson's vision — Marie's only redemption will come after her death.

This austere, rarely seen 1966 film catapulted the director to the forefront of his country's creative visionaries.

There must have been something in the Perrier. With "Balthazar," Bresson joined an illustrious list of French thinkers who emerged in the prewar years.

Trained as a painter, Bresson never courted popular appeal. How could he, when the immediate pleasures of art were so distant from the spirit of his work, obsessed as he was with faith, affliction and beauty. Through Feb. 19. **BOB MASSEY**

AFI Silver, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; opens Fri., Feb. 13; 301-495-6700. (Silver Spring)

Mind Over Natter

Rap-and-rhyming champ Eyedea thinks as fast as he talks

OUT & ABOUT | If you caught Eminem's rap combat scenes in "8 Mile," you'll have an inkling of what Eyedea endured to snag the top spot

in HBO's Blaze Battle of 2000.

The Minnesota rhymers, who plays the 9:30 Friday night with partner DJ Abilities, steamrolled through seasoned verbal vets to nab the crown — and unlike Eminem's character in the movie, Eyedea didn't hurl before spewing his quick-witted lyrics.

Rumors swirled (that Eyedea was about to ink a deal with Bad Boy records), and minor celebrity status ensued — all while the rhymers was still in high school.

After a slew of rap contest scars from virtually every important lyrical face-off, Eyedea toured heavily, dropped two full-length albums



The thinking man's rhyme-smith, Eyedea, right, with DJ Abilities.

and wisely elected to stay with the Rhymesayers hip-hop clique, led by Atmosphere — the group with which he once toured.

Now Eyedea and DJ Abilities are nearing the March release date for their first album on celebrated punk label Epitaph. The prominent pair, with intricate sound collages and brainy wordplay, should kick off early, so being punctual is a good eyedea. **CRAIG SMITH**

9:30 Club; 815 V St. NW; Fri., Feb. 13th; \$15; 202-393-0930. (U St.-Cardozo)

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Express tasters were most impressed by Birthday Cake Remix — Cake Batter ice cream with sprinkles, fudge and a brownie mashed in. Its uncanny resemblance to actual cake batter struck a resounding chord: It's like "licking the spatula without the risk of salmonella," one tester rejoiced.



Cold Stone's Birthday Cake Remix: "It's like crack," enthused one taster.

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pes from bartender Michael Brown. Free for customers of the hotel and bar, it includes plenty of flavored-tini recipes for those who can't be pried loose from their latest Cosmo stand-in (Thin Mint Martini, Tutti Frutti Martini, etc.). Not in the book but on the menu are a primary's worth of choices, from the Kerry Kamikaze Cocktail to the Edwards' Southern Coolout (like Long Island ice tea with a splash of Southern Comfort). And don't forget the Deantini: lime vodka and Apple Pucker. Yeeagh!

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breadsticks. Dumplings \$5.25-\$8.95; entrees \$9.95-\$24.95. EVE ZIBART

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SO WHO IS PETE? Pete's Diner and Carryout is owned by Gum Tong, also the chef. Gum shows off the veggie special of the day as Ine Ariff works at right.

Eve Zibart's dining reviews appear every Friday in The Washington Post's Weekend section. This week she visits the Irish Inn in Glen Echo, Md.

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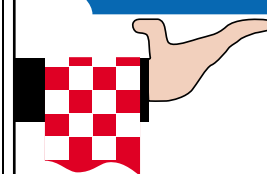
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Dining | Weekend Pass

10 Ways to Feed Your Lover

Forget the dinner reservations and instead whip up a little sumthin' sumthin' for your darling. If you find yourself on a solo mission this year, these vittles are just as divine for yukking it up with good friends. KIM O'DONNELL (WASHINGTONPOST.COM)

1. Impress with **RISOTTO** – any kind is worthy of a smooch.
2. A head of **ROASTED GARLIC** (snip off top, spritz with olive oil, wrap in foil, throw in 375 oven for at least 20 minutes), squeezed out of its roasted skins and smeared on slabs of toasted crusty bread.
3. **GRILLED CHEESE** with strong mustard and red onion on your favorite bread, served with a glass of husky red wine.
4. For **BUBBLY**, consider two lower-priced sparkling wines that are worthy of cork popping: Cristalino (Spain, \$8) and Gruet (New Mexico, \$12).
5. A non-alcoholic (and just as decadent) option is **HOT CHOCOLATE** from scratch. Simmer 2 cups milk and infuse with vanilla extract or 1/8 teaspoon of nutmeg, cinnamon or cayenne. Stir; turn off heat and add about 4 ounces of chopped bittersweet chocolate. Whisk until mixture is smooth.



MARVIN JOSEPH/TWP

If waffles are the food of love, eat on!

6. **POACHED PEARS** make for a quick, elegant dessert. Donna Hay, author of "New Food Fast," suggests a can of coconut milk, some water and a split vanilla bean. (Poaching means cooking over low heat in liquid about half-way up the pan.) To keep pears standing up straight, peel and core from bottom by making a circular incision with a paring knife or melon baller. Keep stem on if possible.
7. Since Valentine's Day falls on a Saturday, breakfast is an option. Try slow-cooking **SCRAMBLED EGGS**, à la New York French chef Daniel

- Boulud. Be careful, though, these eggs are so seductive you may end up with a marriage proposal after you've licked your plates. Crack eggs and work through a sieve. Cook in a double boiler (fit a stainless steel bowl on top of a pan with a few inches of simmering water), slowly stirring with a wooden spoon until you start to see a transformation of the soft curds. Whisk in a touch of butter, cream (if you like), plus generous sprinklings of salt and pepper, until desired doneness. Garnish with chopped chives.
8. Or, how about a **WAFFLE**, perfect for sharing. Throw together a sauce with frozen cherries seasoned with a touch of almond extract and some orange zest.
 9. Consider in-season **CITRUS FRUITS**, including the glorious Minneola or the more sophisticated blood orange. Team with toasted nuts, a spritz of olive oil, a sprinkling of coarse salt and a handful of greens – arugula, mizuna, spinach or mesclun.
 10. Last but not least, look for a **MANGO**. Let it ripen until Saturday. Slice in half, run a bath and share.

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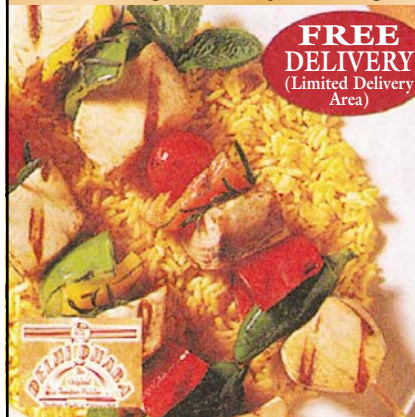
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Television

Regime Change

BEHIND THE SCENES | After its milestone 100th episode last month, “The West Wing” continues to be one of the most literate dramas on network TV, but with a very different tone from its previous one.

The stories seem more conventional, the philosophical and ethical discussions muted. Most noticeably, the breakneck pace of the witty dialogue has been reined in and slowed down.

Scenes occasionally end with the usually chatty, opinionated characters just looking at one another as if thinking, “If Aaron Sorkin were still here, we’d have another witty line or two.”

But “West Wing” creator Sorkin

and Tommy Schlamme, principal director of the award-winning series, both left last spring at the end of its fourth season. Taking over was



Spencer

John Wells, a writer and show-runner on “The West Wing.”

“The big surprise is that Aaron stayed as long as he did,” says John Spencer,

an Emmy winner for

his work as Leo McGarry. Spencer recalls a Washington insider telling him, “In the real West Wing, we lose people every four or five months.’ It kind of put things in perspective for me.”

ROGER CATLIN (THE HARTFORD COURANT)

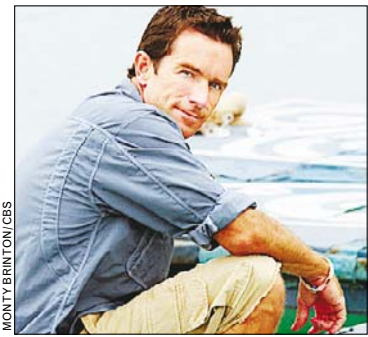
ON TV TONIGHT

SURVIVING ‘SURVIVOR’

SURVIVOR: ALL-STARS (8 p.m., CBS) Is producer Mark Burnett trying to sabotage his own franchise? Why else would he stage a show this uneventful?

No one seems more bored than Richard Hatch, but he did make one profound observation last week when he dismissed the immunity challenges as dull. Hatch believes that the real fun is in the head-games between players.

As if to contradict him, the makers of “Survivor” emphasized the physical challenges. During the buildup to this show, they stressed that it would be the “hardest Survivor ever.” Sorry, gang, summer camp has activities more stressful than the show’s watery challenges. And we need more drama. Last week, in an anticlimactic end to an hour without surprises, Rudy, 70ish and wound-



“Survivor” host Jeff Probst is bug-free, well-fed and sitting pretty.

ed, was shown the door. If the depleted Saboga squad loses again tonight, you can bet that former champ Ethan will earn a plane ticket home.

POSTWAR PARADOX

FRONTLINE (9 p.m., PBS) Viewers interested in understanding America’s mission in postwar Iraq should not miss “Beyond Baghdad.” Correspondent Martin Smith visits cities in three very

different regions. Many residents of the northern cities of Mosul and Kirkuk may have welcomed the end to the Hussein regime, but they now fear civil war between Kurds, Turks and Arabs should the American forces depart. Cities in the Sunni portion of central Iraq contain the most vocal and lethal opposition to the American forces. In southern Iraq, long-oppressed Shiites want their place in a new government. “Beyond” offers interviews with American aid workers and military authorities, as well as Iraqis of every stripe — from the eager owner of a new Internet cafe to tribal sheiks and ayatollahs.

CULT CHOICE

Jack Nicholson and Karen Black star in the 1970 drama **FIVE EASY PIECES** (8 p.m., Bravo). This remains my favorite Nicholson movie, and the film that turned a chicken salad sandwich into a symbol of rebellion. KEVIN McDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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	Comedy	Late Night [RE]	Daily Show	Mad TV [RE]		Trigger	Insomniac	South Park	Man Show	Man Show	Daily Show	Tough Crowd
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	Discovery	Silent Warriors: Druglord	New Detectives-Forensic		Dirty Jobs [RE]		Jack the Ripper: Mystery		More Than Human (N)		Dirty Jobs [RE]	
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	Disney	Even Stevens	Sister, Sister	Sister, Sister	Lizzie	★★ "Full-Court Miracle" (2003) Alex D. Linz. [RE]		Sister, Sister	Sister, Sister	Boy World	Kim Possible	Proud Family
	E!	Hollywood Love	Yearbook	E! News (N)	Good to Be	Lisa Marie: The E! True Hollywood Story [RE]		Mark Wahlberg: Story		Howard Stern	Howard Stern	
	FX	Married...	Married...	Cops [RE]	Cops [RE]	★★★ "The Insider" (1999) Al Pacino. A former executive exposes a cigarette company's lies.					The Insider	
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	Lifetime	Unsolved Mysteries [RE]		Golden Girls	Golden Girls	The Nanny	The Nanny	"Her Perfect Spouse" (2004) Tracy Nelson. Premiere. [RE]			Golden Girls	Golden Girls
	MTV	Music Videos [RE]		Direct Effect [RE]		TRL (iTV) [RE]		Warning	Music Videos	True Life "I'm Adopted" [RE]		Music Videos [RE]
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	SCI FI	Stargate SG-1 "Fair Game"	★★ "DNA" (1997) Mark DeCascos, Robin McKee. [RE]		Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.	"Alien Lockdown" (2004) John Savage. [RE]		Stripperella	Stripperella	Stripperella
	SPIKE	Real TV [RE]	Real TV [RE]			★★★ "Random Hearts" (1999, Drama) Harrison Ford. (DVS)		Extreme	Extreme		(:40) "The Bridges of Madison County"	
	TBS	Home Imp.	Seinfeld [RE]	Seinfeld [RE]	Friends [RE]							
	TLC	Clean Sweep [RE]		In a Fix "Zen Spa" (N)		City Cops (N)		Sex, Dice & Vegas		Girlhood (N)		City Cops
	TNT	Charmed "Lost and Bound"		Law & Order "Navy Blues"		Law & Order "High & Low"		Law & Order "Savages" [RE]		Law & Order "Bitter Fruit"		Law & Order [RE] (DVS)
	USA	Walker, Texas Ranger [RE]		Law & Order		★★ "Billy Madison" (1995, Comedy) Adam Sandler. [RE]				★★ "Never Been Kissed" (1999) Drew Barrymore. [RE]		
	VH1	Behind the Music		Super Secret Movie Rules		VH1 Goes Inside [RE]		InsideOut [RE]		W. Williams	Best Week	Super Secret Movie Rules
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	MSNBC	The Abrams Report (Live)		Hardball (Live) [RE]		Countdown-Olbermann		Deborah Norville Tonight		Scarborough Country (Live)		Hardball [RE]
MOVIES	AMC	★★★ "Sahara" (1943) Humphrey Bogart. 'NR'		★★★ "The Longest Day" (1962) John Wayne. Oscar-winning account of the Allied invasion of Normandy. 'G'								
	TCM	(5:45) ★★★ "The Paradine Case" (1948) Gregory Peck.		★★★ "Parenthood" (1989) Steve Martin. 'PG-13'				★★★ "Hondo" (1953) John Wayne. 'NR'				Singin
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	SHO	(:15) ★ "Four Dogs Playing Poker" (2000) 'R' [RE]		★ "Good Fences" (2003) Danny Glover. 'R' [RE]				Chris Isaak Show (iTV) (N)				Boxing: Mitchell vs. N'Dou
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	STARZ!	(5:45) ★ "Waking Up in Reno" (2002) 'R'		(:20) ★★ "Nothing but Trouble" (1991) [RE]		★★★ "Red Dragon" (2002) Anthony Hopkins. [RE]						(:15) ★★★ "The Crow" 'R'
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People



CHARITY
Which One's Which?

CHRISTINA AGUILERA and **BOY GEORGE** (along with Missy Elliott, Chloe Sevigny and Linda Evangelista) have glommed together to promote M.A.C.'s fifth Viva Glam lipstick. Unfortunately, er, fortunately rather, 100 percent of the proceeds from its sales goes to HIV/AIDS research. So they cannot be made fun of today. Sigh. Mean old charity. (EXPRESS)

LITIGATION
Nice Work If You Can Get It

LOU RAWLS has settled a lawsuit with a woman who claimed she gave up her business to become his mistress. The soul singer will pay Margaret Schaffer \$35,000 to settle her \$12 million lawsuit, which claimed he backed out of a verbal agreement to support her financially even if they split. Rawls's spokesman called the claim a "nuisance" lawsuit. "Mr. and Mrs. Rawls settled for the sole purpose of removing Schaffer from their lives," the spokesman said Monday. (AP)



NON-DEATH
U.S. Bureaucracy Deadly, Important Personage Learns

GEN. PETER SCHOOMAKER knew when he entered the pressure-cooker job of Army chief of staff that the hours would be a killer. Yet it came as a surprise when an official Pentagon notice of his demise arrived at his home in Tampa, Fla. "It actually said I'd died," he said. Explanation: He came out of retirement to be Army chief, so when the Pentagon's accounting staff saw that his name dropped from the retired officers payroll they figured it was for the usual reason: death. (AP)



RUMORS
Golly, Can't a Girl Take A Personal Day or Two?

Country singer and actress **REBA MCENTIRE** has alarmed the WB network with last-minute phone calls saying she needed time off due to a "family emergency" in Oklahoma,

revealed the Hollywood Reporter. After her second "break" in four weeks, rumors are flying that she's unhappy with her salary at the WB sitcom "Reba." (EXPRESS)



HEIGHTS
Fortune, I Mean, Forbes, Favors the Tall

Houston Rockets star **YAO MING** topped Forbes Magazine's 2004 list of Chinese celebrities, ending up ahead of martial arts star Jet Li and "Crouching Tiger, Hidden

Dragon" actress Zhang Ziyi. The 7-foot-6 center, now in his second season in the NBA, ranked first based on "heavy exposure in media and Web hits in China," the magazine said. (AP)



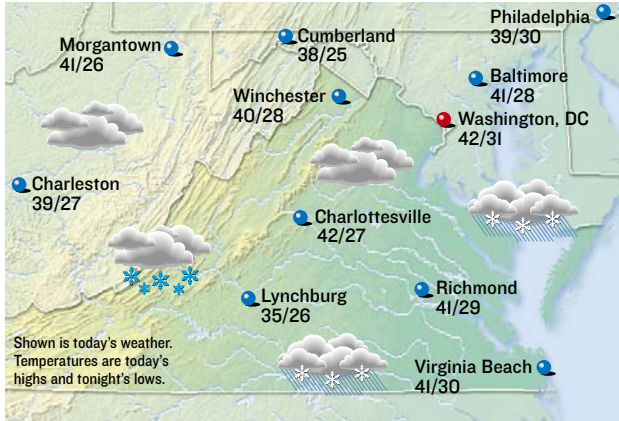
MODEL/ACTRESSES
Where Else Could They Put the Numbers?

With all that fuss over a certain someone's runaway breast, the pay-per-view halftime Lingerie Bowl didn't seem to get the attention it deserved. But apparently it did, because its organizers on Wednesday announced the formation of the **LINGERIE FOOTBALL LEAGUE**, to begin play in 2005. Each of four teams — Los Angeles Dream, New York Euphoria, Dallas Desire and Chicago Passion — will consist of 13 models led by a celebrity quarterback and captain. (EXPRESS)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Mostly cloudy; wet snow south later on 42°	Wet snow south and east early; brisk 31°	Mostly sunny; breezy and milder 50° / 30°	Partly sunny; breezy and mild 52° / 27°	Windy and dramatically colder 31° / 11°	Sunny and cold 34° / 24°

Regional Weather



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Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Wed.
Temperature
High 44°
Low 34°
Normal high 45°
Normal low 29°
Average humidity 41%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 2.20"
Normal month to date 1.00"
Year to date 3.55"
Last year to date 3.30"
Normal year to date 4.21"

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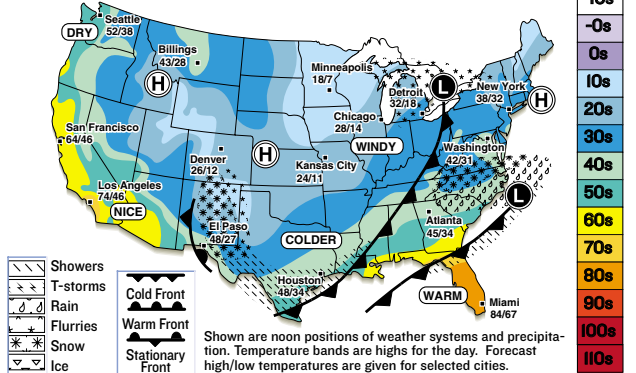
D.C. Metro: Today, mostly cloudy, wet snow south late. High 42. Wind variable 6-12 mph. Tonight, mostly cloudy, flurries, wet snow southeast. Low 31.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 7:04 a.m.
Sunset tonight 5:41 p.m.
Moonrise today none
Moonset today 10:26 a.m.



National Weather for Thursday, February 12



National Cities

City	Today	Fri.
Atlanta	45/34/r	56/37/pc
Boston	35/28/pc	40/28/pc
Chicago	28/14/sf	36/24/s
Dallas	36/24/c	38/28/c
Denver	26/12/pc	46/20/s
Honolulu	81/66/pc	82/68/s
Los Angeles	74/46/s	74/48/s
Miami	84/67/s	83/70/pc
New York City	38/32/pc	42/32/s
Orlando	82/59/pc	74/56/c
Seattle	52/38/s	48/40/r

World Cities

City	Today	Fri.
Amsterdam	45/40/c	46/39/c
Athens	45/17/r	26/18/pc
Berlin	25/24/pc	41/35/c
Buenos Aires	91/68/c	79/63/sh
Calgary	49/31/s	42/23/pc
Dublin	54/43/pc	55/46/c
Geneva	41/28/pc	44/32/pc
Moscow	8/-6/sn	12/3/c
Rome	43/28/s	45/39/pc
Sydney	92/76/c	97/67/pc
Tokyo	49/33/pc	45/36/s

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

WITH LETTER-WRITER SARA PACE and others so willing to abandon the Metro system because of a proposed cost increase (Feb. 10), it's no wonder our elected representatives choose to support expensive highway projects such as the Springfield Interchange instead of mass transit. Perhaps those riders-turned-drivers could use some of that extra money they'll be saving to buy stamps and envelopes so they can let their elected representatives know how they feel about Metro.

—KEVIN SCHELLENBERG
Silver Spring, Md.

GOUD MARAGANI'S FEB. 10 letter said that "Until Bush demonstrates with actual evidence that he served as required, we should assume he shirked his duties." This attitude is completely backwards from how Americans should think. Remember the principle "innocent until proven guilty?" It is the responsibility of Bush's accusers to provide evidence that he shirked his Air National Guard duties. So far, all accusations have been based on speculation. Until evidence to the contrary is demonstrated, we should assume that his honorable discharge was, in fact, legitimate.

—JOHN GABRYSCH
Falls Church, Va.

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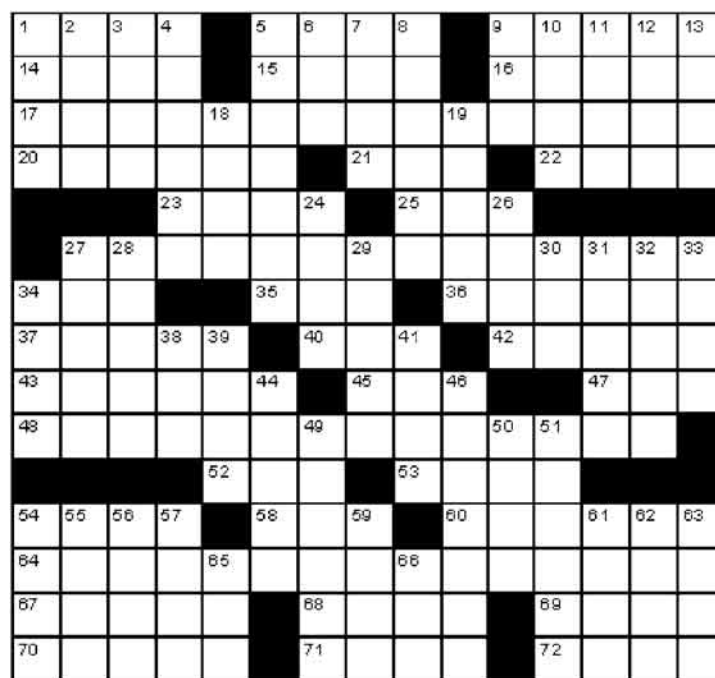
Yesterday's Solution



Crossword Puzzle: Metalliferous | Edited by Timothy E. Parker

ACROSS

- 1 Henry's third Catherine
5 General helper
9 Might be smoke or feathers
14 Callas' specialty
15 It may be seminal
16 Type of poetry
17 Staunch digestive system
20 Brew vessels
21 Post-dubbing title
22 Nevada cattle hub
23 Eight in Ecuador
25 Teacher's org.
27 Four-flusher
34 ____ Luis Obispo
35 Pugilists' gp.
36 Yen
37 Corners
42 Command to a puli
42 First name in gift-giving
43 Not on the level
45 By way of
47 Moray, e.g.
48 Valuable securities
52 ENE, e.g.
53 Perry's creator
54 Locale in a Beatles song title
58 Nourished
60 Adjusts to fit
64 Intense look



- 67 Merits
68 Deliver a low blow
69 Tied
70 War horse
71 Visits
72 Indigence
DOWN
1 Campaign fund grps.
2 "I smell ____" gp.
3 Stand
4 Apportion-ment
5 Blue Angels milieu
6 June phrase, often
7 Remote sites?
8 Letting up on
9 Mideastern political
10 Tick-borne disease
11 Caspian Sea feeder
12 Jagger or Fleetwood
13 Audio feedback of a sort
18 Move stealthily
19 Tire feature
24 Planets, e.g.
26 Central Iowa city
27 Ankles
28 Completely
29 Gullible
30 The "Be prepared" org.
31 Like user-friendly paper
32 Certain Art Deco works
33 Genuine
34 Antlered beast
38 Ante destination
39 Floored it
41 Something to blame on the moon
44 Enlighten
46 Scrapes
49 Socrates and Plato, e.g.
50 Automotive pioneer
51 Tidy up
54 Puts to work
55 ASAP in an ER
56 Like the surface of Mars
57 Philosopher Descartes
59 Unit of force
61 Apply asphalt
62 Genealogist's graph
63 E-mailer's click
65 It was dropped in the '60s
66 For the broad of foot

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



Horoscope | Stella Wilder

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — This is a good day to put your fears on a backburner and trust those other voices that say "do it, do it." Someone is waiting for you.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — What you want may be as close to you as merely asking the right people for it. Most problems are less complicated than they appear.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You may have to concern yourself with changes on the job — or with changing jobs altogether. You needn't let your confidence wane.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Your first attempts at something new are not likely to impress you — or others. Your star will soon shine very brightly.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Avoid people who are volatile, aggressive, overly talkative or emotionally combustible. Assess situations fully.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) — The time has come for you to put away those preformed notions and other outdated ideas about the world. Start seeing things all over again.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — What appeared out of reach only yesterday will loom ahead of you larger than life. A little determination can bring you big rewards.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You may be closer to sealing a pact or making a new personal commitment than you had expected. Things are picking up in pace.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — You may get surprisingly wrapped up in domestic projects. Improvements you make around the house are sure to last.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — You may have to wade through numerous messages before you get to the one that can really make a difference to you.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — You've been saving either money or effort for a day just like this one. Now is the time to gamble on what you see as a winning proposition.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Consider taking someone close to you up on a strange and unusual offer. Chances are you will remember this as a golden opportunity.

LIVE ONLINE

Election 2004

From washingtonpost.com/liveonline

National Public Radio political editor and columnist **KEN RUDIN** was online to discuss the 2004 campaign.

The Post reported Wednesday that President Bush plans to endorse a Constitutional amendment concerning gay marriage. While this may placate his conservative base, won't it drive away moderates?

This is exactly the dilemma facing the Bush campaign. It's one thing to argue that same-sex marriage is morally wrong — as the Republicans will certainly do. It's another to push for a constitutional amendment, which could push away swing voters.

Why has Howard Dean changed his mind about leaving the Democratic presidential race if he doesn't win the Wisconsin primary?

Dean says he would be letting thousands of his supporters down if he quit. And he is still trying to make his case that John Kerry is a captive of special interests. But it's hard to make the case that he is going to suddenly turn his fortunes around and do well in Wisconsin or the subsequent states.

For the record, this is not because of the post-Iowa "scream," and it is simplistic and just plain silly for journalists or anyone else to blame that for Dean's decline.

Why not Dick Gephardt for VP? As a Midwesterner, he could help in the rust belt and allow Democrats to reclaim Missouri or Ohio.

You're not the only one expressing this viewpoint. The Midwest — Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, Missouri — may be the real battleground region this year, so why not put a Midwesterner on the ticket? A Kerry-Gephardt ticket will, of course, be comprised of two candidates who voted for the war. I wonder what that would mean to all the newcomers that Howard Dean brought in this year?

Today on Live Online:

I.P.M.: Author Frances Itani discusses her debut novel, "Deafening."

I.P.M.: A "Got Plans?" special on romantic local restaurants, date-perfect movies, advice for singles and details about the new online dating section.

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